

APPENDIX I

Manual of Arms—Automatic Pistols

I-1. General

- a. This appendix contains the procedures for executing the manual of arms with automatic pistols (FM 23-35).
- b. All individual drill movements are executed as prescribed with the weapon secure in the holster.
- c. The only manual of arms movements that may be executed are *present arms (hand salute)* and *inspection arms*. During other manual of arms movements, remain at *attention*.
- d. The position of *raised pistol* represents the position of *port arms* when challenging as a sentinel on guard duty.

I-2. Manual Movements

- a. **Present Arms.** The *hand salute* is executed in the same manner as prescribed in individual drill.

- b. **Raised Pistol.**

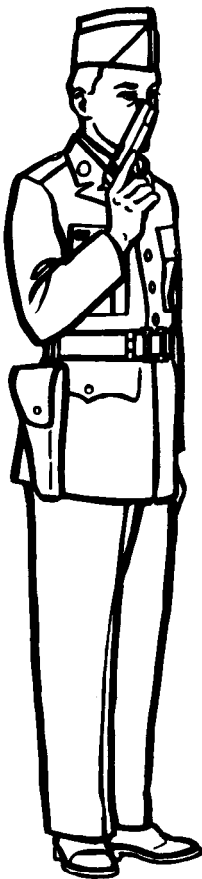
- (1) For instructional purposes, the command ***Raised, PISTOL*** is used to teach individuals the procedures for challenging.
- (2) On the command of execution ***PISTOL***, unbutton the flap of the holster with the right hand and grasp the pistol grip. Withdraw the pistol from the holster, raising the right forearm to the front until the hand is about six inches in front of the right shoulder, and the right elbow is against the right side. Hold the pistol grip in a “U” formed by the thumb and last three fingers. Extend the forefinger outside and alongside the trigger guard. Point the muzzle outward and up at about a 30-degree angle (Figure I-1).
- (3) On the command ***Return, PISTOL***, return the weapon in the most convenient manner to the holster, fasten the flap, and come to *attention*.

- c. **Inspection Arms.**

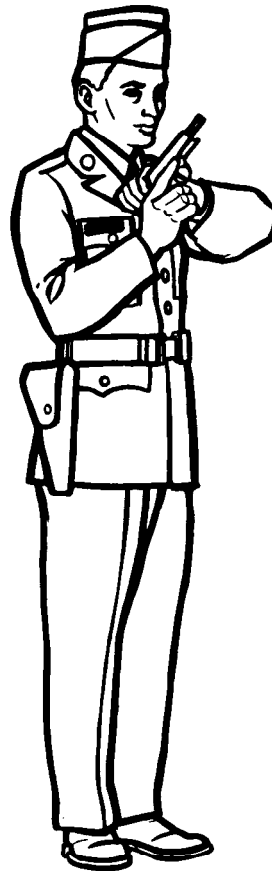
- (1) The command for this movement is ***Inspection, ARMS***. On the command of execution ***ARMS***, execute *raised pistol* and then, without lowering the right hand, reach across the body and grasp the slide with the left thumb and the first two fingers so that the thumb is on the left side of the slide. Shift the grip of the right hand so that the right thumb engages the slide stop. Push the slide fully to the rear and engage the stop in its notch with the right thumb. Return the left hand to the left side and remain at *raised pistol*.
- (2) ***Ready, Port, ARMS*** is the only command that may be given from *inspection arms*. On the command ***Ready***, place the right thumb on the slide stop. On the command ***Port***, press down on the slide stop, allowing the slide to go forward,

and then place the forefinger on the trigger. On the command **ARMS**, pull the trigger and return the weapon to the holster, fasten the flap, and come to *attention*.

- (3) To execute *inspection arms* with the magazine in the weapon, execute *raised pistol* and then remove the magazine and place it between the belt and clothing before locking the slide to the rear. After pulling the trigger, and before returning the pistol to the holster, return the magazine to the weapon.
- (4) If the pistol is inspected in ranks and the inspecting officer takes the weapon, lower the right hand smartly to the right side. When the inspecting officer is ready to return the pistol, raise the right hand back to the raised position and accept the weapon. After the pistol is returned, allow the slide to go forward, pull the trigger, return the pistol to the holster, and come to *attention*.



RAISED PISTOL



INSPECTION ARMS

Figure I-1. Manual of Arms, Automatic Pistols